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Juveniles: serious consequences for misconduct

Consolidated Public Affairs Office

CAMPFOSTER — The 14-year-old girl entered the PX and fixed her eyes on what she wanted. She realized she didn't have enough money, but she decided she would take the CD anyway. Little did she know, security was waiting at the exit and she was charged with shoplifting. Her parents were notified and now the Base Inspector's Office, which enforces the regulations governing juvenile misconduct, will weigh all the circumstances and determine an appropriate punishment. Although this incident is fictitious, it is not unheard of. Marine Corps Bases Japan Order 5800.6A provides the guidelines used to deal with all Status of Forces

Agreement civilians and military family members who run into trouble with the law. "There is no federal magistrate here on Okinawa like back in the United States," said David E. Boughton, Deputy Inspector for Marine Corps Bases Japan. "The Base Inspector's Office has been given the authority to handle juvenile cases through the commanding general." Base commanders have the authority to take appropriate action to correct misconduct by civilians and juvenile family members in their respective areas of operations. Juvenile misconduct is defined as the violation of standards of American or Japanese laws and regulations by a person that is under the age of 18. The most frequent violations committed by juveniles on the island are shoplifting, assault, under age drink-

ing, truancy and curfew violations. When juveniles commit an offense, sanctions may be handed down swiftly. At the high end of the spectrum, this can include removal from the island. Although it is one sanction, not all juvenile offenders face removal from the island or from military installations on Okinawa. Sending a juvenile home is not a measure taken lightly and is ultimately decided by the base commanding general. Every incident is looked at closely and on a deliberate, individual basis. The juvenile's past record and the severity of the offense are weighed when determining what sanctions will be given. For example, one juvenile who committed larceny was required to conduct 40 hours of community service, while another juvenile was debarred from all island installations for 10 years. Juveniles who appear before the base inspector may receive the following administrative sanctions:

- Verbal Warning
 - Written Warning
 - Restriction to quarters
 - The suspension or revocation of identification card privileges
 - Community service
 - Probationary debarment
 - Debarment, which is not allowing the individual onto any Marine Corps Bases Japan facility
 - Recommendation to the appropriate commander that an early return of the family member to the continental United States be initiated
 - Recommendation to the appropriate commander that tour curtailment action against the sponsor of the offending family member be initiated
 - Issuance of a Military Protection Order which places communication/geographic location restrictions on an offending family member (this order requires that someone knows where the juvenile is located at all times)
- There are serious ramifications for a servicemember's career if a family member is involved in misconduct. A Marine who has his or her tour curtailed will impact the Marine Corps. Unit readiness, cohesion and continuity will all suffer if a Marine has to leave before his or her



LANCE CPL. CHAD C. ADAMS

Juvenile misconduct cases on Okinawa are handled by PMO, then the Base Inspector's Office.

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Marines, Sailors hold CPX

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Combat Correspondent

CAMP HANSEN — More than 400 Marines and Sailors from 3rd Marine Division, and supporting elements participated in a Command Post Exercise at Landing Zone Dodo, Jan. 24-28. The purpose of the training was to prepare them for Exercise Cobra Gold 2000 and to test their ability to embark, deploy and run the battle. "We're out here to give the Marines in the division's staff the experience of running the Combat Operations Center and displacing (changing position) when necessary," said Staff Sgt. W. L. Ferguson, watch chief/road master, 3rd MarDiv.

The training began last October when Marines and Sailors learned how to set up the new Deployable Rapid Assembly Shelter (DRASH), from which the COC would be operating. Once set up and running, the division staff takes over the scripted mock battle from the simulated forward unit. At various points during the exercise they are timed on breaking down the COC, displacing, and setting it back up at different landing zones around the Central Training Area. "The training prepares Marines for what they actually see in the most forward deployed division in the Marine Corps," said Lance Cpl. Ronald D. Durham, intelligence analyst, G-2, 3rd MarDiv.



SGT. ANGELA K. NORMAND

Marines from 3rd Marine Division unload supplies for the command post exercise designed to prepare for the upcoming Cobra Gold 2000 Exercise.

New plan for DPP account holders

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Combat Correspondent

CAMP FOSTER — The Army and Air Force Exchange Service developed a new AAFES Deferred Payment Plan Contingency Deployment Policy that became effective Nov. 1, 1999 for AAFES DPP account holders who are deployed.

The new policy offers DPP account holders, who are deployed for at least 90 days, reduced interest rates and no payments options for the duration of the deployment. There are two options for the account holder.

The first option gives the account holder a reduced interest rate of six percent and the ability to continue using the account to make purchases during the deployment period without making payments.

The second option given to account holders is a reduced interest rate of zero percent. However, the account holder is not able to make additional charges to the account. The account holder doesn't have to make payments to the account for the length of the deployment.



"The purpose of the policy change is to make it easier for those deployed and to give peace of mind," said Marc J. Floyd, store manager, Camp Foster Post Exchange.

Under the previous policy, service members' commanders would notify

AAFES of the account holders' deployment status. Under this plan, account holders were not required to make payments to their account, but the finance charges continued to accrue at the normal DPP rate, approximately 12.5 percent, during the deployment.

Now, unit commanders of the account holder going on deployment must first provide AAFES with a deployment listing, either by mail, fax, or internet to take advantage of the new AAFES policy.

Once the deployment status of account holders is confirmed, AAFES automatically defaults to the six-percent interest rate with no payments and a full-charge privilege option. To choose the second option, account holders must notify AAFES by mail, fax, or internet.

The new policy change allows AAFES to identify sooner which servicemembers are deployed and to make adjustments to their accounts in order to stop late fees and interest rates from piling up on the account holder, according to Floyd.

"Overall, the program is a win-win situation," said Floyd.

The mailing address for AAFES is AAFES-HQ, P.O. Box 650739, Dallas, Texas 75265-0739. The commercial fax number is (214) 312-4326 and the Internet address is <http://www.aafes.com>.

For additional information, contact the local AAFES exchange General Manager's office at 645-7709.

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planned rotation date due to family member misconduct.

If a family member is debarred, that family member is no longer authorized to live on, work on or enter any of Marine Corps Bases Japan installations, excluding medical and dental facilities. The Marine must then decide to either voluntarily move out of base housing or to send the family member back to the states while the servicemember stays and finishes his or her three-year tour.

In an effort to deter misbehavior, the Base Inspector's Office talks to families, to commands and to schools about youth misconduct.

"We like to talk with both parents and their kids at some of the town hall meetings in the various towers," said Boughton. "We also go to Kubasaki High School to participate in a program called 'Teen Focus' in which we interact with the students and let them know what we do at the Base Inspector's Office."

Programs such as 'Teen Focus' help parents become more involved with their children, taking a proactive step to help curb juvenile crime on Okinawa.

"There has been a gradual decline in the misconduct of juveniles on Okinawa over the last couple of years," said Boughton.

"It has partly to do with the fact that more parents are getting involved with their kids' lives," continued Boughton. "We want to see the decline continue, and we believe education to the community on the process and potentially serious consequences for the juvenile, the family, and the Marine family as whole, may help prevent misconduct."

Although juvenile misconduct has been declining, it remains a serious concern for all commands because of the impact it has on their families and units.

For more information on family member and civilian misconduct, see MARINE CORPS BASES JAPAN ORDER 5800.6A or call the BIO at 645-3640.

New tents make appearance at III MEF

Sgt. Kevin E. Harris

Combat Correspondent

CAMP COURTNEY — In an effort to better equip Marines for the field, new two-man combat tents are currently phasing out the old shelter halves.

The combat tent is a modified non-developmental item being procured for the Marine Enhancement Program, according to Master Gunnery Sgt. Walter Miller, G-4 Supply Annex chief, III Marine Expeditionary Force. It is designed to accommodate two people with a portable, lightweight-compact shelter that will protect Marines from the effects of inclement weather.

"The tents keep out the wind and rain better than the shelter halves I used in boot camp," said Lance Cpl. Steven R. Crowe, Multi-channel radio operator, Communications Company, 3rd Marine Division. "It is enormously superior to the shelter halves."

The combat tent is a double-walled shelter, which provides adequate ventilation. It also has two doors, a waterproof floor and a gear-storage area.

"The tents are much easier to erect," added Crowe who used his tent during a recent communications exercise on Camp Courtney. "They are much bigger and lighter in comparison to the old shelter halves."

They are durable and easier to maintain because the tents are equipped with a repair kit, said Miller.

To date, III MEF's G-4 Supply Annex issued approximately 4,500 of the new tents, which will replace the shelter halves on a two-for-one basis, to Marines of Marine Corps Bases Japan.

In essence, every other Marine will have a combat tent as a result of the two-for-one replacement of the

shelter halves.

There is a strong sense of urgency in maintaining the combat tents, according to Miller. The Marines need to ensure that they leave clean and serviceable equipment for Marines who will use the gear in the future.

"Take care of these tents, and I'll guarantee that the tents will take care of you," said Miller.

The first of the tents were issued to the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit, followed by 7th Communications Battalion, 3rd Marine Division, and III MEF Headquarters Group. Currently, Marines within 3rd Force Service Support Group are receiving the new combat tents.



The phase-out of the shelter halves is scheduled to be completed by year end.

In addition to receiving the combat tents, Marines and units can look forward to receiving new Command Post

and Modular General Purpose Tent Systems in the near future.

The CP and MGP tents, which cost approximately \$5,000 and \$7,200 respectively, will replace the old tents on a one-for-one basis.

The tents are 18 feet wide, seven feet high at the top of the side-wall, and 11.5 feet high at the peak. The tents can be extended in 18-foot increments.

According to the tent manufacturer, the tents utilize tension fabric to create a structure which distributes wind, rain and snow loads from the fabric directly to the support system.

The use of interchangeable components between different tents reduces logistics burdens.

The tents can be erected in less than 30 minutes with four servicemembers.



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Support Marines use new grader

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CAMP HANSEN — Marines from the Support Company, 9th Engineer Support Battalion began training with two new Blade-Pro Motor Grader Systems here Jan. 18.

The new equipment will be used as a guidance system for the blades of a grader. The graders are used to cut into the ground to make level roads, airstrips or building foundations.

Normally surveyors are on the scene first to make estimates on how deep the ground should be cut. To make the surface level, stakes are hammered into the ground to show the grader driver how deep to cut in each area. This does not change with the new system. Surveyors still do their initial survey of the land, however, they do not place stakes in the ground for the grader driver.

With the new system, the information gathered in the survey is put into a computer, which delivers the information through a laser tripod to sensors mounted on the grader.

As the grader moves along, the laser tripod feeds information into the sensors, telling the hydraulic pistons on the grader to move up or down in that area.

“The driver no longer touches the hydraulic controls,” said Staff Sgt. Justin J. Fiedler, operations staff noncommissioned officer, Support Company, 9th ESB. “Now they just steer it down the road.”

The new system is able to cut the time spent on a project in half, according to Fiedler. Without the new equipment, surveyors would be used to check the project for adjustments to the cut. The laser makes sure it’s right the first time.

The new system is able to save time, conserve manpower, reduce human error and “guesstimates”, according to Fiedler. This is also effective in a combat environment when time is crucial.

Marines learn how to use the same systems used in the civilian sector making them more qualified and skilled in that field. It is good training for young Marines, according to Fiedler.

Along with the two Blade-Pro Motor Grader System, 9th ESB received one new 3-D Blade-Pro Grader System. They will begin training on this system in about 3 months. This system will use the same sensors but can portray a 3-D image of the project.

“No matter where you are on the project, the laser system will know how to cut it,” said Fiedler. “It’s the next step in the training evolution.”



LANCE CPL. SCOTT WHITTINGTON

A CAT-130 Motor Grader, mounted with the new laser leveling device, plows during a trial run.



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(above) Lance Cpl. Michael D. Coffey, heavy equipment operator, MWSS-172, operates a CAT-130 Motor Grader, mounted with the new laser leveling device, during a trial run.

(left) A CAT-130 Motor Grader, mounted with the new laser leveling device, plows a strip during a trial run.

USA Girl Scouts Overseas director visits Okinawa

Sgt. Jennifer A. Wolf

Combat Correspondent

The director of the USA Girl Scouts Overseas dropped in on Okinawa last week as part of her West Pacific tour of military installations and their host nation countries which provide and promote the USA Girl Scouts program.

Sandy Thomas, director, USA Girl Scouts Overseas, began her tour in Tokyo where the organization had their annual program conference.

“There we had about 80 volunteers and staff for a training conference,” said Thomas. “It’s a good opportunity for me to say thank you to our volunteers and also to see what’s going on in the area.”

Wherever she goes, Thomas meets with the base commanders to thank them for their support.

“I also meet with our host country girl guides and girl scouts wherever I go,” said Thomas. “The host country relationship is important to us. We are guests in their



SGT. JENNIFER A. WOLF

Sandy Thomas (left), director, USA Girl Scouts Overseas awards the highest Adult Girl Scouting award, the Thanks Badge, to Joyce Young, regional commissioner for USA Girls Scouts in Okinawa.

country and we appreciate the opportunity to provide girl scouting here to our American girls in their country. That relationship is very important for our Okinawan Girl Scouts and our world organization.”

During her visit, Thomas presented the highest award in Adult Girl Scouting, the Thanks Badge, to Joyce Young, regional commissioner for USA Girls Scouts in Okinawa.

“She is probably the top volunteer in the area,” said Thomas. “She’s been in that position for about six years. She’s doing an incredible job.

The Thanks Badge is the Girl Scouts top award and not given lightly, according to Thomas.

“You have to have made a significant difference on not only the local Girl Scout service area, but more than one service area, said Thomas. You have to have made a significant difference in the entire Western Pacific Girl Scout area, which covers all of mainland Japan, Okinawa and Korea.”

During her six-year tenure as the director of USA Girl Scouts Overseas, Thomas has presented four Thanks Badges.

“To my volunteers I would like to say thank you for making a difference in lives of girls and for helping girls grow strong and reach their potential,” said Thomas. “I try to come yearly to tell them face to face that we really appreciate what they do for the girls.”

Alcohol-related NJPs III MEF/MCBJ

The *Okinawa Marine*, in accordance with the III MEF/MCBJ Liberty Campaign Plan, now publishes the following alcohol-related nonjudicial punishments for Jan. 23 - 29

- Underage drinking

A lance corporal with 9th Engineer Support Battalion, 3rd Force Service Support Group, was found guilty at a battalion-level NJP of underage drinking. Punishment: reduction to E-2, forfeiture of \$237 for one month, and restriction and extra duties for 14 days.

- Possessing hard liquor

A lance corporal with 9th ESB, 3rd FSSG, was found guilty at a battalion-level NJP of possessing hard liquor. Punishment: forfeiture of \$237 for one month, and restriction and extra duties for 14 days.

- Underage drinking

A private first class with 9th ESB, 3rd FSSG, was found guilty at a battalion-level NJP of underage drinking. Punishment: reduction to E-1, forfeiture of \$537 for one month, and restriction and extra duties for 23 days.

- Underage drinking

A lance corporal with 3rd Battalion, 12th Marines, 3rd Marine Division, was found guilty at a battery-level NJP of underage drinking. Punishment: forfeiture of \$237 for one month, and restriction and extra duties for 14 days.

- DUI, reckless driving

A lance corporal with PSD-36, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, was found guilty at a squadron-level NJP of reckless driving resulting in a collision due to DUI. Punishment: forfeiture of \$237 for one month, and restriction and extra duties for 14 days.

Community Briefs

Children's Dental Health Month

In celebration of Children's Dental Health Month, a dental health fair is scheduled for Feb. 19 outside the Foster Main Exchange. Activities at the fair will include an information booth, mobile dental van tours, dental screenings for eligible children, and announcement of the poster/essay contest winners. Entry forms for the contest will be distributed at schools and can be obtained from Naval Dental Clinics.

For more information, contact Evans, Bush or Kinser Naval Dental Clinics.

Lester Middle School Spring Fling

Lester Middle School's first Spring Fling is scheduled for Feb. 12 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event features Middle Eastern crafts, a Tupperware booth and a fashion show.

For more information, call 645-7787.

Troy State registration

Troy State University will begin registration for Term IV, 2000, Feb. 14 - 25. TSU offers Master of Science programs in management, international relations, public administration, and foundations of education.

For more information, call Elizabeth or Stephanie at 634-3930.

Paintball tournament

Paintball is an exciting, fun sport. Playing paintball



SGT. NATHANIEL T. GARCIA

3/2 walking on air

Marines from 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marines, strapped on helmets, fastened load bearing vests and slung weapons before crossing the three and two-strand rope bridges at the Jungle Warfare Training Center here Jan. 11.

Deep within the JWTC, Marines learned to tie their own safety lines before crossing a three-strand rope bridge that stretched over a valley between two cliffs. Marines used a two-strand rope bridge to cross back to the other side. The three-strand bridge is a rope bridge made by three thick ropes, one at the bottom connected by smaller ropes to two more thick ropes above forming a "V" shape. The two-strand bridge is simply two parallel ropes one above the other.

Although, walking at such heights can be intimidating and challenging, all of the Marines safely completed the obstacles.

gives you the chance to shake off your day-to-day responsibilities and rekindle your spirit of adventure. When the adrenaline starts pumping, you can't help but love the thrill of the game.

Come join in the fun with this five person speedball tournament played in round-robin format. This event will be held Feb. 20. Gates open 7-8 a.m. only. There will be a rules briefing at 8 a.m. and games begin at 9 a.m.

A maximum of 16 teams will be accepted for this event. Registration must be completed by Feb. 15 at Kadena Outdoor Recreation.

Tournament fee is \$20 per player, or with semi gun rental, \$30 per player.

Free hot dogs/beverages and t-shirts will be available for participants. For more information, call Outdoor Recreation at 634-3689.

Valentine's dance

The Okinawa International Women's Club is having a Valentine's Dinner Dance tomorrow at the Butler Officers' Club. Kelly Wright will entertain as well as the Japanese Air Self-Defense Force Band. Come out and meet the club members and learn more about the organization.

Tickets are \$25 and should be purchased by today. Call Katina Ungerman at 646-5249 or Frances Bondi at 646-8900 for more information.

School bus office relocation

The Okinawa School Bus Office has been relocated. The new facility is Building 5821 on Camp Foster, located on 6th Marine Division Rd. All bus monitors are requested to report to the new facility.

For more information, call 645-2036/7820.

Tex-Mex dance

The Hispanic American Association of Okinawa is holding a Tex-Mex dance at the Kinser Tri-Mod Feb. 18 from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Admission is free.

For more information, call 637-1072/1640.

NNOA Golf Tournament

The National Naval Officers Association is sponsoring a Valentine's golf tournament Feb. 14. Registration deadline is today, and the fee is \$30 including cart and green fees.

For information, contact 1stLt. Halyard at 645-9254.

Korean furniture sale

There will be a Korean furniture sale sponsored by the Kubasaki High School Senior Class of 2000. Proceeds benefit the "Project Graduation" and Varsity Soccer Team.

The sale is Feb. 26 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Feb 27 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Bechtel Elementary School Gym, Camp McTureous. Your support will help give seniors a safe, fun and memorable graduation. For more

information, call Mark at 645-3614.

Support, referee, play soccer

If you are 16-years-old or older, and are interested in playing, refereeing or supporting soccer on Okinawa, contact Barnes at 622-5237, Sam at sam10ref@konnnect.net, Conrad on Kadena at conrad.marshall@kadena.af.mil, or for the women's league, contact Amy at mccambridgeae@mcbbutler.usmc.mil.

International Christian Women's luncheon

The International Christian Women's Association is hosting a luncheon Feb. 18 at 10:45 a.m. in the Butler Officers' Club.

If interested in attending, call Nikki Caines at 646-6596, or Helen Davis at 926-2263 by Feb. 14.

College admission and financial aid issues

Barry McCarty, College Board representative from Lafayette University, will be coming to Okinawa Feb. 16 to address college admission and financial aid issues.

To arrange an appointment, call 645-6888/6883, or come to the Kubasaki High School Library with a completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at 7 p.m. This meeting is for both Kubasaki and Kadena High School parents and students.

Government Surplus Sale

The Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office at Camp Kinser will hold a Government Surplus Sale tomorrow from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Building 600.

The sale is open to SOFA status personnel and must be purchased for personal use only. Payment must be in U.S. dollars, cash only.

For more information, call 637-4323/3707.

Dancehall party

The West Indian Association of Okinawa is sponsoring a dancehall party Feb. 19 at 8 p.m. in the Globe and Anchor on Camp Foster. The buffet will be served at 8:30 p.m. and the cost is \$10.

For tickets, contact Mardy at 622-8589, Will at 645-2721, Evans at 645-7540, or Karina at 637-6883.

To submit a brief ...

The Okinawa Marine accepts briefs for non-profit organizations and groups only. Briefs are run on space-available and time-priority basis. Deadline for briefs is noon Friday. The Okinawa Marine reserves the right to edit to fit space. Submit briefs by faxing to 645-3803, or send an e-mail to angusrj@mcbbutler.usmc.mil.

Protect your driving privileges

It's Saturday morning and you're driving north on Highway 58, going to the beach for a weekend of fun and relaxation with friends. It's one of those perfect days, the sun's out, there's not a cloud in the sky, the temperature is in the 80's, and there's no traffic congestion. It's going to be a great weekend.

Then, suddenly a SOFA status vehicle screams past you. You see it cut off another vehicle as it recklessly changes lanes and then runs a red light. You lose sight of the vehicle, but the thought of what such reckless disregard for safety could cause and the impact it could have on you and others lingers in your mind. You remember news reports of serious injuries and deaths caused by unsafe driving habits. You begin to ask yourself; where are the Japanese Police? Where are the Military Police? Why can't something be done about this? Why doesn't someone do something?

Someone can do something. YOU can do something. We can all do something. Not only can we do something, but we all have an obligation to adhere to traffic laws and to report violations to authorities. Regardless of your status (active duty, family member, civilian employee), or the location of an incident (on base or off base) you can report traffic violations to the Military Police. If you observe a SOFA status vehicle with "Y", "A", or "E" plates driving in an unsafe manner, simply report the incident to the Military Police by providing the following information:

1. Date, time, and location of the incident.
 2. License plate number and description of the vehicle.
 3. Any other information that will assist in identifying the vehicle and driver
 4. A description of the violation and the circumstances involved.
 5. Your name, rank, organization and phone number.
- Although it is necessary to have the license plate number to identify the owner of the vehicle DO NOT violate traffic laws by speeding or otherwise jeopardize your safety in an effort to catch up to someone to get information.
- To report an incident go to the nearest PMO and complete a Traffic Violation Report (TVR) form, which will serve as the traffic citation and statement. You can do this the next working day, but it is important that it is done as quickly as possible.
- PMO has implemented two other methods to make the reporting of violations more convenient. First, an e-mail address is now available. The e-mail address is "TVR@MCBBUTLER.USMC.MIL" and can be found in the global WAN directory as "OMB MCBBUTLER PMO TRAFFIC VIOLATION REPORT". When using this system simply type in the required information, ensuring you include your name, rank, organization and phone number. Secondly, a TVR form is now available on the Internet at the MCB Butler home page under

"What's New". Simply click on the Link titled "TRAFFIC VIOLATION REPORT", complete the electronic form and click the send button. Upon receipt of your report PMO will identify the owner of the vehicle through the information provided. The Traffic Court Section will then process the TVR and the suspect will be directed to appear in traffic court. If you are required to testify in traffic court you will be notified in advance of the date and time of the hearing.

It is imperative that we all become involved in protecting ourselves against careless drivers and preserving our privilege of driving. In 1999, The Accident Investigation Section of PMO investigated 1,858 accidents. The main causes of these accidents were carelessness, speeding, and inattention.

Driving on Okinawa is a privilege, not a right. To preserve this privilege each of us must be a part of the solution. We can do this by complying with traffic laws and reporting violations.

On the bottom of the weekly Okinawa Marine newspaper you will find phone numbers to call for assistance in reporting unsafe driving. Be an active member of the community; don't let someone jeopardize our privilege to drive. REPORT UNSAFE DRIVERS TO PMO; PROTECT PUBLIC SAFETY AND OUR PRIVILEGE TO DRIVE ON OKINAWA.

Lt. Col. D. J. Anderson
Provost Marshal, MCB Butler

How will the 21st Century be judged?

The ability of Madison Avenue to make the profound seem trivial while transforming the trivial into the profound is wickedly wondrous. Of course, that really is the whole goal of advertising — to make whatever you are selling, no matter how trivial, appear at that moment to be the most important consideration consumers are facing.

One of the hottest ad campaigns over the past several years succeeded in elevating the age-old practice of bumming a beer from a friend to a new art form.

You've surely seen the shots of a bunch of fishing buddies sitting around the campfire "bonding" over their experience. Suddenly one of the guys grows tearful and confessional. Coming close to one of his friends around the fire, he throws his arms around him and reveals in a tough-guy, but choky voice, "I love you, man!" But instead of being touched, his friend sees right through the flood of tears. "That's great, man," he agrees, "but you still aren't

getting my (beer)!"

The only reason for the first guy's confession of love was a pitifully transparent ploy to filch the last remaining beer from his buddy.

Love as a way to get a free beer — that is the Madison Avenue pitch. While it seems like bold-faced idiocy to me, this ad campaign has obviously struck a funny bone with most of society. I recently read that the fastest selling gift items in the beer company's catalog — a catalog devoted entirely to selling beer-branded merchandise — is the whole line of "I love you, man!" T-shirts, shorts, hats and signs.

Have you ever noticed how often the media's depiction of "Bible Believers," isn't much different. These "Bible Believers" bawl and blubber over others only when it suits their agenda. For the most part, boob-tube images of a religious person are rarely of someone declaring with great sincerity, "I love you, man!" Instead, the most prevalent image is of a narrow-

minded, self-righteous soul proclaiming, "I judge you, man!" or "I condemn you, man!"

How tragically different is that media interpretation of being spiritual from the vision I see being presented throughout the Scriptures. The Scriptures are full of stories and examples of true and genuine love. But since we are so caught up in the influences of our times, and not our Bibles, we end up doing exactly what the media suggests, we itemize our brother's faults or our sister's sins, instead of truly loving them as our neighbor.

The greatest decision we face as the people of the 21st-century is whether it will function as a community of condemnation or as a community of love.

Will some carefully articulated, theologically sophisticated, logically delineated "Articles of Denunciation" define us? Or will we be known for our living, breathing, healing, helping "Acts of Love?"

The fact is - if we genuinely want to improve this place where we live - we have no choice in the matter. The great commandment — "Love one another as I have loved you" — challenges us to lift up those around us instead of putting them down. That sounds like a mandate of love to me. The commandment of love is fluid, never set in stone, and is always applicable to every situation. We are called to be there, to come through, to care deeply about those around us, no matter who or what the circumstances.

As children of God, we need to know that we are required to love one another. When any of us falls short of that goal, as each and every one of us will time and time again, the only appropriate reaction is not one judgment, not one of condemnation, but tears of love.

I want all of you to know that "I love you, man" and "I don't want your beer."

Cmdr. David G. Kloak
3rd Marine Division Chaplain

STREET TALK



Pfc. Bradley J. Smith, MWSS-172, 1st MAW

"I didn't watch it. I played chess instead."



Lance Cpl. John R. Burgreen, G-3 MCB

"Where are my commercials?"



Lance Cpl. Ernest E. Riley, MWHS-1, 1st MAW

"It was scary for me," said the Rams fan. "It was too close of a game."



Frank C Floyd Jr., computer specialist, CPAO

"The Super Bowl was great. I think it was one of the greatest Super Bowls of my lifetime."



LANCE CPL. MICHEAL O. FOLEY



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(above) Sergeant Frank J. Trofa, customer service representative, 3rd FSSG, assists a patron at the customer service counter.

(left) Marines in the audit section of 3rd FSSG's CONAD are kept busy ensuring the group's 3,600 Service Record Books are kept up to date.

Group CONAD pools resources, uses teamwork

Lance Cpl. Micheal O. Foley

Combat Correspondent

CAMP KINSER— Administration Marines spend their days buried under mountains of Service Record Books, staring at little computer screens, pounding away at typewriters, and sometimes handling a variety of complaints from unhappy people. They live in a paperwork-filled, number-crunching world.

At the 3rd Force Service Support Group Consolidated Administration Office here, 81 Marines work to take care of the entire 3rd FSSG, approximately 3,600 Marines and Sailors, according to Master Gunnery Sgt. Jose L. Trevino, CONAD staff noncommissioned officer-in-charge, 3rd FSSG.

"The future of Marine Corps administration is consolidation," said Trevino. "Due to cutbacks in manpower we have to look at different ways of doing business. We are losing a lot of admin. clerks and now we're going to have to change admin. procedures. The best way to do this, is to consolidate."

Consolidating six battalion administrative sections into one presents challenges for Marines in 3rd FSSG. For example, Marines on Camp Hansen may have to travel to CONAD on Camp Kinser to fix pay problems.

Marines within CONAD are running into several challenges because of the consolidation as well.

"CONAD is a new organization," said Trevino. "It's only been in existence for about a year-and-a-half and we're still fine-tuning our procedures to provide better support.

"We do get complaints, but they are becoming less and less, due to the systems we are putting in place which are helping the Marines with their administrative problems."

Trevino continued, "We're constantly improving procedures to provide better service to our battalions."

The CONAD Marines are overcoming the challenges of working in a fast-paced shop by using teamwork. In each of the nine sections of CONAD, junior Marines work together to ensure the section's mission is met, while senior Marines coordinate needs with other sections. Because of this organization, there is teamwork and communication within and among each section.

The CONAD is also taking steps to help Marines in the group overcome the challenges of distance. With the help of Cpl. Rene L. Garcia, integrated systems coordinator, CONAD, 3rd FSSG, the shop has a sophisticated computer network with databases as well as a web site that Marines can use to answer questions they may

have.

"Administration has been taken out of the battalions, but it is put back into the battalions with this Internet site," said Garcia. "The site provides Marines access to view their SRBs, allows battalions to view the rotation date roster to see when Marines are transferring, answers administration questions Marines may have and other things."

Although CONAD is doing what they can to eliminate problems, individual Marines should do what they can to ensure their administrative information is correct.

"One way Marines can prevent administrative mistakes from happening is to first of all, know what their allowances are," said Trevino. "They need to look at their leave and earning statements, immediately report any underpayment or overpayment, and inform us of any family or status changes as soon as possible. Marines have to take responsibility of their pay. We can't always catch every problem, but if Marines takes responsibility for what they receive and report any changes immediately, that can solve a lot of problems."

With teamwork between individual Marines and CONAD, the consolidated philosophy of Marine Corps administration will provide the support Marines need.

3rd Bn., 2nd Marines on belay at JWTC

Marines from the 3rd Battalion, 2nd Marines, go through another phase of training as they rappel during the 26-day Jungle Warfare Course at the Jungle Warfare Training Center here.

During the course, Marines received classes on safety, rappelling, mines, land navigation and terrain appreciation.

Sgt. Robert W. Curtis, rough terrain section leader, JWTC, gave the class for rappelling and reviewed the procedures for making a bell-horn rappel harness using a 15-foot rope. He also went through the procedures to make a safety line using a round-the-body bowline and figure-eight-loop.



SGT. NATHANIEL T. GARCIA

Capturing the Corps

TAVSC helps tell Marine Corps' story

Lance Cpl. Zachary A. Crawford

Combat Correspondent

CAMP FOSTER — From Marines deploying to a foreign country for an exercise to those who are conducting military occupational specialty training in their sections, history is being made in the Marine Corps.

Recording Marine Corps history through film and video are the Marines assigned to various sections at 3rd Marine Division Combat Camera and the Marine Corps Base Training and Audiovisual Support Center. These sections comprise photographic, video, graphics, audiovisual library and supply.

“Our main job here at TAVSC and the Combat Camera section is to historically document the mission of the Marine Corps,” said Staff Sgt. John A. Giles, photographic section staff non-commissioned officer-in-charge.

Part of recording history is for TAVSC and Combat Camera to visit as many of the units on Okinawa as possible.

“We have numerous opportunities to go out with various units, experience their specialized training and find out exactly what they do from day-to-day,” said Giles.

Ensuring units are supported is a large task for TAVSC and Combat Camera.

“We usually process, on average, 100,000 job orders per year in our photo department,” said Gunnery Sgt. Blair A. McClellan, Operations Chief, 3rd MarDiv Combat Camera.

Units can go to the photo lab to get official work done such as film processing, promotion photos, and passport pictures.

The Combat Camera Section's job is to document the training exercises and combat missions of the Marine Air-Ground Task Force. Along with the videographers, the combat camera section is prepared to have its resources employed for support of any mission and exercise.

“The videographers and photographers work hand-in-hand on projects so that they can cover each other in case someone misses a shot or there is more work than expected,” said McClellan.

The video section also provides coverage to tell the story of the Marine Corps through documentaries.

The edited video, available through the video section, can be used for after-action reports, briefs, educational, training, historical and ceremonial videos.

Another way of getting training and visual information out to Marines is through the graphic arts section.

The graphics section can provide services to units by making static display boards for illustrations and special event graphics for numerous occasions. In addition, the graphics section makes logo designs and posters for Marine Corps units.

The MCB TAVSC audiovisual section can loan equipment such as VCRs, TVs, and video cameras. They also have over-



SGT. JASON M. CARTER

While deployed, TAVSC and Combat Camera Marines document history in action on both film and video.

head projectors and other items used for training aides.

Whether it is capturing photos to depict the Marine Corps and their training

or providing Marine units with audiovisual training aides, 3rd MarDiv Combat Camera and MCB TAVSC are here as a vital part of the mission.



LANCE CPL. ZACHARY A. CRAWFORD

Private First Class Joseph R. Price, combat photographer, TAVSC, MCB, takes a promotion photo in the studio.



LANCE CPL. CHAD C. ADAMS

Staff Sgt. R. Keith Branham, Marine aerial navigator/systems operator, VMGR-152, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, looks through sexton to conduct celestial navigation.

Navigators control skies at 15,000 feet

Lance Cpl. Chad C. Adams

Combat Correspondent

CAMP FOSTER — A KC-130 Hercules flies 15,000 feet above the sea. Two F/A-18 Hornets scream out of the clouds en route to a routine airborne refueling to complete their mission.

Only one Marine can guide them in as the refueling pods snake their way out of the wing. One Marine controls the skies.

For Marine KC-130s, that job belongs to the Marine Aerial Navigation/Systems Operator.

“Basically, when we tell the pilots to turn, they turn,” said Staff Sgt. R. Keith Branham, Marine aerial navigator/systems operator, Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron-152, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing.

However, the navigator’s mission responsibility goes well beyond keeping the plane on course during a flight mission.

“Most of our work happens before we get on the airplane,” said the 32-year-old navigator. “For every hour of flight, there are two hours of flight planning.”

During that flight planning, the navigator requests weather reports, plots the flight course, decides how much fuel is needed, checks customs standards for

countries the plane might land in, references flight publications, provides crew members with per diem forms and conducts more flight preparation.

“It basically boils down to all of the flight planning for any mission,” said Sgt. Lane C. Riddell, Marine aerial navigation/systems operator, VMGR-152.

For every mission, navigators begin their preparation by visiting a library of flight publications, maps and catalogues.

“There is so much more to what we do than just navigate the plane,” said the 22-year-old Riddell.

“It can be overwhelming,” said Branham, a native of Owasso, Okla.

With so much responsibility delegated upon the shoulder of one crewmember, it’s necessary for navigators to become proficient in their job before they are certified to serve in a flight crew.

The two-year journey to become a navigator begins with one of three annual screening processes in which 15 Marines are selected to attend the school that begins at Naval Air Station Pensacola, Fla. An average of five Marines graduate the school and earn their navigator wings, according to Branham and Riddell.

To graduate, students must attain a first class swim qualification, be in outstand-



LANCE CPL. CHAD C. ADAMS

Updating weather reports and making radio checks are never-ending responsibilities for Staff Sgt. R. Keith Branham, Marine aerial navigator/systems operator, Marine Aerial Refueler Transport Squadron-152, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, aboard a KC-130 Hercules.

ing physical shape and complete countless hours of homework each night.

As demanding as the physical requirements might be, the academic curriculum is fast and furious.

“They show you how to do something and you can either pick it up or you can’t,” Branham said.

Because of the high paced curriculum, students must quickly learn basic navigation, mission planning, weather, radar, daytime and nighttime celestial navigation, a skill that requires navigation by using only the sight of celestial bodies.

Celestial navigation incorporates using an assumed position by a technique called dead reckoning, an equation that uses speed and time traveled to assume the position. Then the navigator looks through a sexton to find a star or the sun. This tells the actual position in relation to the celestial body. The difference between the assumed position and the actual position gives the navigator an angle to plot the course of the plane, according to Riddell.

Although the flight to become a navigator might be difficult, for many, when the goal becomes a reality, the sky is the limit.

“I think it’s the best job in the Marine Corps,” said Riddell, a native of Kansas City, Kan. “I joined the Marine Corps to see the world, and that’s what I’m doing. I wouldn’t want to do anything else.”

“I haven’t regretted any part of it,” Branham confirmed.

Only 105 Marines share the navigator billet with Branham and Riddell in the entire Marine Corps. Thirteen of those navigators are stationed here.

Navigators are proud that unlike the Army, Navy and Air Force, they hold this billet as enlisted personnel.

This sets Marine navigators apart from those serving in other services. In a Marine KC-130, a lance corporal or corporal does the same job the other services reserve for an officer.

Although the field is closed to officers, navigators do have the career opportunity to become a warrant officer and still retain their military occupational specialty.

“Our job feeds directly into the warrant officer program,” Riddell said. “With navigators, when you pick up warrant officer, you’re still a navigator.”

“You can’t be a warrant officer in this field without being a navigator first,” Branham added.

Marine navigators also stand out amongst the other members of their own aircrew. Navigators have their own wings, which no other member of the Marine Corps wears, distinguishable by a compass set in the center.

“We’re definitely really proud of our wings,” Riddell said.

As proud of their wings as these navigators are, mission accomplishment could not be met without operating as a team with the other members of the squadron.

“There is no crew position that is more important than another,” Branham said.

The KC-130 bounces onto the runway, another successful mission, another successful day. However, this day isn’t over for the navigator. A mountain of paperwork awaits – more maps, more catalogues – more flight planning.

More work to control the skies.



LANCE CPL. CHAD C. ADAMS

Navigators are responsible for bringing in aircraft during airborne refueling missions.

3rd FSSG Sailor comes 'home' to Okinawa

Lance Cpl. Micheal O. Foley

Combat Correspondent

CAMP KINSER — Many servicemembers join the military to experience different lands and cultures. For one Sailor stationed here, her travels have taken her back to where she began.

Seaman Tina B. Guevara, quality assessment/quality improvement coordinator, Group Surgeon's Office, 3rd Force Service Support Group, has spent more than half of her 20-year-old life on Okinawa.

Guevara previously spent 12 years on the island as a family member while her father was an airman stationed on Kadena Air Base.

"Growing up here was nice," Guevara said. "There's really nothing for kids to worry about when they're growing up here. It's a quiet place. I had a lot of fun when I was younger."

After graduating from Kadena High School in 1997 and completing basic training and her military occupational school at Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill., she received orders home to Okinawa.

"After boot camp and school, I was really excited to come back here," said Guevara. "My parents are over here and I still have a lot of friends here."

Guevara is very close to her mother, who is the nurse at Kadena Middle School. She chose to go into the medical field to emulate her. At the same time, she chose to join the military like her father.

During her tour on Okinawa, Guevara has worked at sick call, family practice, and now in the group surgeon's office. She likes the variety of training she is getting and is always looking for more experience. Her biggest interest in the medical field is working with children, especially infants.

Because she grew up in Okinawa, many people ask

her about places to go.

Sometimes Marines and Sailors come to her with questions about where to go, where to shop and where not to go, according to Guevara.

She tells them where to go in Naha to shop, where to scuba dive, where to go sightseeing, what tours to take and where to hang out.

Because she has spent so much time on the island, she knows her way around it like most people know their way around in their hometowns.

"I've lived here for so long and I know this place," said Guevara. "You know what it's like when you're in your hometown. You know which way to go, where everything is, when everything is going to happen. When people visit you in your hometown they don't really know what's going on, but you do."

Guevara's time on Okinawa is coming to an end soon. She is scheduled for transfer to Bremerton Naval Hospital, Bremerton, Wash., in July.

Although Guevara enjoys living on Okinawa, she is ready for a change. She would like to see more of other countries, including the United States.

Although she is looking forward to being stationed stateside, she will have the challenge of overcoming the difference of cultures, people and lifestyles.

"I'll have to overcome the culture shock," said Guevara. "When I visited North Carolina, that was a shock for me. Walking down the street, I was used to not understanding what people were saying. I was used to seeing signs I couldn't read."

When Guevara goes to her next duty station, the tables will be turned. She will finally feel how many of her fellow Marines and Sailors felt when they arrived on Okinawa. Thanks to the military, after the initial culture shock, she can settle down and enjoy her time in a new, exotic land — the United States.



LANCE CPL. MICHEAL O. FOLEY

Seaman Tina B. Guevara, quality assessment/quality improvement coordinator, Group Surgeon's Office, 3rd FSSG, has spent more than half of her life on Okinawa as a family member on Kadena Air Base. Now, she's back as a Sailor stationed on Camp Kinser.

3rd Medical Bn. helps local farmers reap sweet rewards

Sgt. Angela K. Normand

Combat Correspondent

ISHIKAWA CITY, Okinawa — Eight Marines and Sailors from 3rd Medical Battalion spent Jan. 26 farm hopping as they helped local farmers harvest their sugar cane here.

These volunteers joined forces with 25 men from the Raemei No Sato home for the mentally challenged. By working together, they helped three local farmers harvest more than three weeks of painful, back-breaking work, said Chiyoko Kochi, community relations specialist for Camp Hansen.

"The farmers are very old and weak now," said Kochi. "It would take them a very long time to do the work. We thought that it would be a good idea to let the strong Marines and Sailors help them with their work, while they learn a little more about Okinawa's culture."

Upon arrival at the first farm, little time was wasted as the volunteers donned their gloves and went to work stacking bundles of raw sugar cane. In less than thirty minutes, farmer Seiho Yamashiro's 1,580 square yards of bundled cane was stacked and ready to be taken to the buyers.

"I was very surprised with the turnout and the energy these men have," said Yamashiro, who has been harvesting sugar cane for more than 40 years. "It normally takes two people more than five days to do this amount of work. Words cannot express my gratitude."

After the task was completed, the volunteers proceeded to the next farm to repeat the process.



SGT. ANGELA K. NORMAND

"This is the first time I've been able to volunteer," said Staff Sgt. Jason B. Day, NBC Chief, as he sets down a bundle of sugar cane. "More Marines and Sailors should be willing to get involved with the community."

"I have been wanting to volunteer for a while now but I just haven't had the time," said Staff Sgt. Jason B. Day, Nuclear, Biological and Chemical chief, Headquarters and Service Company, 3rd Medical Battalion. "I think more people

should get involved in these activities. Not only does it feel good to help out, but it also gives the community a good feeling about the Marines and Sailors who train in their backyard."

"It always feels good to help people

out," said Pfc. Eric J. Estel, motor transportation operator, H&S Co., 3rd Med. Bn. "Whenever opportunities to volunteer come around I sign up for them. Volunteering is a good experience and it's also a lot of fun."



SGT. KEVIN E. HARRIS

Semper Fit sponsored a sports day at Cobra Gold '99 in Thailand.



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Brigadier Gen. Gary H. Hughey, commanding general, Marine Corps Bases Japan, checks out the trophies to be given out at an MCCS sponsored sports day during Cobra Gold '99.

Semper Fit deployment programs go with us

Lance Cpl. Chad C. Adams

Combat Correspondent

CAMP FOSTER — The Marine Corps Community Services Semper Fit Deployment Support Program is providing quality of life services for Marines in every clime and place.

"Marine Corps Community Services deployment support is a mission essential activity and is crucial to supporting Marines' mental and physical readiness," said Martin D. Keck, deployment coordinator, MCCS.

The two-year-old program provides Marines on deployment with Internet access, gym facilities, all ranks clubs, televisions, videocassette recorders, tours and travel opportunities while serving in the field.

"We try to give them something to do in their time off," Keck said. "Our main focus was to give them a place to kickback and relax."

A Semper Fit function wouldn't be complete without some sports. While supporting Marines in Thailand during Exercise Cobra Gold '99, the Semper Fit team provided golf clubs, games, volleyball, soccer and softball equipment, and arranged a Sports Day with members of the Royal Thai Marine Corps.

In addition to Cobra Gold, the support program has participated in Foal Eagle and UFL in Korea, and has been consistently present during artillery relocation exercises for 12th Marines.

Although the program has limited resources, the goal is to become even more actively involved with III Marine Expeditionary Force exercises and operations.

Keck envisions the deployment program being afloat on maritime prepositioning ships so that when "The World's 911 Force" is called into action, Semper Fit will be there to support III MEF missions anywhere in the world.

But for now, the program is aimed at supporting III MEF training missions and deployments.

"I want to get involved with more deployments," Keck said. "We're getting bigger, slowly. We're starting to buy our own equipment. I'm still in the process of collecting equipment."

Besides collecting old equipment from facilities when they receive new gear and purchasing new equipment, the investment in the future is also backed with a willingness to deploy anywhere and everywhere the Marine Corps is going.

"We'll support anything we can," Keck said. "We haven't said no to anyone yet, unless we don't physically have the means to support it."

However, the program can only go as far as the Marine Corps will take it.

"We will do whatever they want us to do and we will do whatever we can, but we're not self-sufficient," Keck said.

"We can't do any of this without the support of the

Marines," Keck said. "On every deployment, you're not always going to have a building to set up in. We're at the mercy of them."

That's where the Leathernecks come in. Marines help the deployment program by providing electricity, water, transportation and embarkation support.

This support turns into quality of life improvements for the Marines in training as MCCS brings many of the comforts of garrison life to the field.

The field is where the Marine Corps perfects itself as a force in readiness, always looking into the future, finding the better way. Now, MCCS is pushing the envelope as it sets the tone for quality of life support for training exercises.

"It's still new. We don't know what we can and can't do yet," Keck said. "(Marine Corps Community Services) Okinawa is leading the way in deployment support."

Deployment support is easy for units to get. Semper Fit will readily support all units, company-sized and above, that will be deployed for a month or more.

"If the unit will provide us the lift to get to the exercise and they want us to support the exercise, then we'll support it," Keck said.

The Marine acquires the target across the flat, green plane. He pulls back ever so gently. He fires the shot — crack!

Eight ball, corner pocket.

Every trip to the field should be so good.

NCAA referee wears silver oak leaves for Corps

Cpl. Chet Decker

NORFOLK, Va. — Most sports fans would think anyone who ever saw Michael Jordan play basketball would probably remember seeing it, but that's not the case for part-time NCAA basketball referee Lt. Col. Dennis Arinello II.

In fact, as a high school referee while stationed at Camp Lejeune, N.C. in the early 1980s, there is very little Arinello remembers about Jordan when he took the floor for Laney High School in nearby Wilmington. "Quite frankly, not too many of us knew who he was at the time," said Arinello, now with U.S. Marine Corps Forces Atlantic, Norfolk, Va.

While serving as Assistant Chief of Staff for Logistics, Arinello still finds time to pursue a hobby that allows him to stay close to the sport he enjoys. He travels around the country on weekends for the NCAA, and often refs high school games during the week.

Arinello has seen his share of basket-

ball, and then some, since beginning his officiating career in 1976 as a junior at Lyndon State College in upstate Vermont.

After joining the Marine Corps and doing a tour in Okinawa, Arinello was able to fine-tune his raw officiating skills after being invited to a referee's clinic run by the NCAA's Atlantic Coast Conference. By the time Michael Jordan was playing for the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill in the conference, Arinello was refereeing in the same league. Jordan ranks highly on the list of athletes that stand out in Arinello's mind.

After all, the ref has spent years running up and down the court with hundreds of the nation's finest high school and college basketball players. (Allen) Iverson comes to mind," he said, of the NBA's leading scorer.

Arinello also remembers watching a native Virginian named Joey Beard, who played with Duke and Boston College before fading from the limelight. Through his experiences as a ref, Arinello knows

that those tagged "future superstars" don't always pan out.

Arinello has his share of memories about college coaches as well. He remembers calling a match-up pitting Georgetown against California State-Irvine. Georgetown was coached by the imposing John Thompson, who stands 6-foot-10-inches tall.

"Getting in his face is like arguing with a tree trunk," said Arinello.

There was also the time Arinello parked his car in Tarheel coaching legend Dean Smith's space before working a UNC game.

"The space wasn't marked," he said.

Of all Arinello's experiences, those he cherishes the most are the opportunities he has had to help out fellow Marines. Through his college basketball contacts, Arinello says he has helped five enlisted Marines land athletic scholarships. Three ended up coming back to the Corps as officers.

"Some of them got opportunities they

may not have gotten otherwise," said Arinello.

In turn, the sport of basketball has been kind to Arinello as well, leading him to his wife, Kathy, who played for the Lyndon State College women's team. At 5-foot-seven-inches Arinello played for the men's team and began his career by reffing a few games on the side.

He was calling one of her match-ups, and as he puts it, "I threw her out of the game, because I thought she was cute. She caught my eye, and that's how we met." Arinello also admits he was making up calls against her just to get her flustered.

It all came together in the end, and today the Arinello family includes Sara, 19; Megan, 16; and Dennis III, 8. Arinello's officiating career is also helping to pay for Sara's education at the University of North Carolina.

"It's a good hobby, plus the money's not bad," he said. "Staying close to basketball has been fun for me. Not too bad for a guy who's five-seven."

Storm pounds 9th ESB 26-12 for title

Lance Cpl. Chad C. Adams

Combat Correspondent

CAMP COURTNEY — Fueled by more than the emotion football can bring to players, the Headquarters & Services Battalion, Marine Corps Base Storm thundered past 9th Engineer Support Battalion 26-12 in the Commanding General's Cup Islandwide Flag Football Tournament at the Courtney Bowl here Jan 27.

Several team members struggled in mourning the loss of their friend and teammate, Pete Carian, the late husband of Gunnery Sgt. Arlene A. Carian. The Storm dedicated the championship in memory of Pete.

In an emotional ceremony following the game, members of the Storm signed the game ball and presented it to 13-year-old Jacob Carian, who had lost his father to a heart attack the night before.

The Storm was able to give this gift due to the strong play of running back/defensive back Darrel Richardson who dominated ESB, leading the Storm to the championship with three touchdowns while the Storm rolled for 26 unanswered points.

"It feels outstanding," said Richardson. "I'm just glad I could contribute."

On the opening drive, 9th ESB came out hot, driving the length of the field in a blink of an eye, making an apparent statement to the Storm when ESB quarterback Will Cuellar delivered a strike to Gary Gabucan for a touchdown. Storm defender Jorge Munoz sacked Cuellar on the point after touchdown attempt, giving ESB a 6-0 lead.

However, the Storm struck back just as quickly. Richardson broke loose up the gut on a 40-yard touchdown run, knotting it up at 6.

As the wind picked up and the rain started to fall, the Storm was just beginning for ESB.

After both teams stiffened on defense to close out the rest of the first half, the Storm suddenly exploded in the Courtney Bowl.

On the first play from scrimmage of



LANCE CPL. CHAD C. ADAMS

Storm quarterback John Martinez scrambles after a 9th Engineer Support Battalion defender who intercepted a two-point conversion attempt. Martinez threw two touchdown passes during the championship game.

the second half, Storm quarterback John Martinez hit wide receiver Delvin Smythie across the middle. Smythie, the tournament's most valuable player, rumbled 42 yards for the touchdown, giving the Storm a 12-6 lead and huge momentum swing as fans and players alike went wild.

"Why do you think it's raining," shouted Marion I. Kelley, the self-proclaimed number one fan for the Storm. "It's Storm time! The Storm is coming!"

But ESB hung tough. After returning the kickoff to their own 38 yardline, ESB moved the ball deep into Storm territory before turning the ball over on downs after an apparent first down was called back on a costly penalty.

Two plays later, the Storm continued the onslaught when Martinez hit Richardson across the middle where he turned up the right sideline for his second 40-yard touchdown of the day.

But Richardson wasn't finished yet. On the following possession, Richardson picked off Cuellar at the Storm 20-yardline, sliced between two would-be defenders, and took it back all the way for his third touchdown of the game.

Martinez went up top for receiver Jason Cawthon, giving the Storm the two-point conversion and a commanding 26-6 lead.

The 26-point onslaught came on the heels of big plays, rather than the physical, smash-mouth style the Storm is

known for.

"Any time you come out against 9th ESB, it's hard to move the ball against them," said Storm head coach Michael R. Harris, describing the size of the ESB defense. "We tried to fake it up the middle and beat them with our play action."

The play calling paid off for the Storm, who gave Harris his first CG's Cup title after coming up short several times before.

"It's like no other feeling in the world," Harris said. "It feels great."

Cuellar hit Brad Wildermoth in the back of the endzone for a quick ESB score, but it was too little too late as the Storm ran out the clock and the celebration began.



LANCE CPL. CHAD C. ADAMS

H&S Bn. Storm celebrate following their championship victory in the CG Cup final.



LANCE CPL. ZACHARY A. CRAWFORD

Storm head coach Michael R. Harris holds the ball presented to 13-year-old Jacob Carian.

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1988 Toyoat Master Ace — JCI Nov 01, \$1,800 OBO. 646-8698.
1988 Toyota Camry — JCI Feb 01, \$1,200. 645-3836.
1988 Toyota Carina — JCI Oct 01, \$1,500. **1986 Nissan Auster** — JCI Mar 01, \$600. 623-5936 or 623-4151.
1989 Ford Laser — JCI Oct 00, \$1,500. **1988 Toyota Vista** — JCI Oct 00, \$1,300. 646-3478.
1987 Toyota Mark II — JCI Jun 00, \$800 OBO. 636-4171.
1984 Toyota Van — JCI Aug 00, \$1,000 OBO. **1987 Mitsubishi Gallant** — JCI Jun 00, \$800. 646-8934.
1987 Suzuki GSXR 750cc — JCI Dec 01, \$2,500. Jon, 646-8713.
1993 Daihatsu Charade — JCI Apr 01, \$2,500. Cpl. Tchang, 645-2179.
1988 Toyota Camry — JCI Feb 01, \$1500. 645-3836.
1986 Mitsubishi Chariot — JCI Oct 00, \$400 OBO. 645-0792.
1988 Toyota Ace — JCI May 00, \$1,700 OBO. 637-4491.
1988 Starlet Turbo — JCI May 01, \$900 OBO. 645-2311.
1988 Toyota Van — JCI May 00, \$1,700 OBO. 637-4491.
1986 Nissan Langely — JCI Oct 00, \$750 OBO. Sgt. Pearson, 367-2001.
1991 Honda Vigor — JCI Nov 00, \$2,500 OBO. Rico, 933-9752.
1991 Honda Civic — JCI Oct 01, \$1,750. Ben, 636-2325.
1987 Suzuki GSXR — JCI Dec 01, \$2,500 w/ helmet. Jon, 646-8713.
1986 Toyota Corona — JCI Nov 01, \$400. 623-5701.
Nissan Gloria — Recent JCI, \$1,700. MSgt. Crews, 645-3161 or 646-6000.



Miscellaneous

Misc. — Clarinet, \$150 OBO. Sgt. Angus, (W) 645-9337, (H) 646-2503.
Misc. — Day bed w/ mattress, \$150 OBO. 27" RCA color television, \$190 OBO. Dress Blue blouse, trouser and cover, \$75. 637-5054.
Misc. — Banshee 16MB display card. 32MB SDRAM, \$50. David, 646-3636.
Misc. — Double jogging stroller w/ handbrake, \$175. 633-6115.
Cat — Spayed, shots, free to good home. (W) 645-3221, (H) 633-9180.
Misc. — Solid wood bookcase, \$75. Small wood book cases, \$25. Single bed mattress, \$25. Office file cabinet, \$25. 25" Trinitron television, \$450. Hoover vaccum cleaner, \$40. Japanese style wash basin, \$50. NTT line telephone, \$500. Solid wood Computer and office desk, \$250. Solid wood chair, \$40. 893-2656.
Misc. — Panasonic 5 CD stereo, \$200. Panasonic 1 CD stereo, \$150. New Camelbak, \$35. Rice cooker, \$20. Charity, 636-4513.
Misc. — Two Burgandy Lazy Boy recliners, \$100. Two transformers, \$50 each. (W) 623-4913, (H) 622-8327.
Transformers — 2000W, \$75; 1000W, \$45. **Keresene Heater** — \$50. Charles, 632-3551.
Playhouse — Little Tikes playhouse, \$60. 646-6830.
Misc. — White crib with mattress, \$100; handmade changing table, \$75; Stroller, \$20; playpen, \$25; toy box, 20; Little Tikes work bench with tools, \$25; Climbers Cub \$10; VCR \$25. 645-5165.
Computer — Celeron 450 MHz Computer, 17 inch monitor with Sony Trinitron Picture Tube, 4D scrolling mouse, 4 speakers with 140 w sub woofer, Canon BJC 250 printer, joystick, \$1,500. 973-9277.
Baby Crib — 3-in-1 Convertible crib with Sealy Mattress, \$175 OBO. 622-8230.
Zip Drive — 100 Meg, Iomega Parallel Port external Zip Drive software, \$150 OBO. 646-5785.
Computers — Zenith Pentium Computers. 100 MHz, \$350, 83 MHz, \$300, 66 MHz, \$200. 646-8997.

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Butler (645-3465)

Fri The Hurricane (R); 6:30, 9:30
Sat Superstar (PG13); 1:00
Sat The Hurricane (R); 6:30; 9:30
Sun The Bachelor (PG13); 1:00
Sun Bone Collector (R); 4:00, 7:00
Mon Bone Collector (R); 7:00
Tue Fight Club (R); 7:00
Wed Fight Club (R); 7:00
Thu Play it to the Bone (R); 7:00

Courtney (622-9616)

Fri Superstar (PG13); 7:00
Sat The Bachelor (PG13); 7:00
Sun Play it to the Bone (R); 6:00
Wed Pokemon (G); 2:00
Wed Man on the Moon (R); 7:00

Futenma (636-3890)

Fri The Bachelor (PG13); 7:00
Sat The Sixth Sense (PG13); 7:00
Sun Fight Club (R); 7:30
Mon Man on the Moon (R); 7:30
Wed The Hurricane (R); 7:30

Hansen (623-4564)

Fri The Galaxy Quest (PG13); 6:30, 9:30
Sat The Galaxy Quest (PG13); 6:30, 9:30
Sun The Galaxy Quest (PG13); 2:00
Sun Bone Collector (R);

5:30, 8:30
Mon Bone Collector (R); 5:30, 8:30
Tue Fight Club (R); 7:00
Wed Fight Club (R); 7:00
Thu American Beauty (R); 7:00

Keystone (634-1869)

Fri Man on the Moon (R); 6:30, 9:30
Sat Pokemon (G); 1:00
Sat Man on the Moon (R); 4:30, 9:00
Sun Pokemon (G); 2:00
Sun Bone Collector (R); 5:00, 8:30
Mon Bone Collector (R); 7:00
Tue Fight Club (R); 7:00
Wed Fight Club (R); 7:00
Thu The Hurricane (R); 7:00

Kinser (637-2177)

Fri Play it to the Bone (R); 7:00
Sat Pokemon (G); 3:00
Sat Play it to the Bone (R); 7:00, 11:30
Sun Bone Collector (R); 7:00
Tue Fight Club (R); 7:00
Wed Bone Collector (R); 7:00
Thu Fight Club (R); 7:00

Schwab (625-2333)

Fri The Bachelor (PG13); 7:00
Sat The Bachelor (PG13); 6:00, 9:00
Sun The Sixth Sense (PG13); 7:00
Mon Superstar (PG13); 7:00
Tue Play it to the Bone (R); 7:00
Wed Play it to the Bone (R); 7:00
Thu Bring Out the Dead (R); 7:00

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